## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



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TRIBUTE TO

## Mark A. Van Port Fleet

WHEREAS, Mark A. Van Port Fleet, P.E., has been an exceptional leader at the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for 38 years, beginning his career in 1980 as General Engineer and serving in many positions across the Department, including 7 years as the Engineer of Design and 6-and-a-half years as the Deputy Chief Engineer and Director of the Bureau of Development, 3 years as the Chief Operations Officer before his promotion to Senior Chief Deputy Director in July 2018, where he has served as a trusted and respected leader;

WHEREAS, Mr. Van Port Fleet has provided leadership and support for planning, designing, operating, and maintaining all aspects of a comprehensive integrated transportation system that is responsive to current and future needs in accordance with MDOT's vision, mission, goals and objectives, and has served as a key representative in negotiations with the Canadian government and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on the development of agreements for construction of the Gordie Howe International Bridge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Van Port Fleet has directed the implementation of short- and long-term strategic goals, serving throughout his career as a member of the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) on the AASHTO Committee on Highways and Streets, AASHTO representative to Chief Engineers' Council of the Transportation Association of Canada, Chair of the AASHTO Innovation Initiative Committee, and Member of the AASHTO Special Committee on Research and Development, AASHTO Standing Committee on Environment, and AASHTO Subcommittee on Bridges and Structures; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his career at MDOT, Mr. Van Port Fleet has been a mentor to many and a model of leadership, serving in integral roles across the Department over the course of his career, and has been committed to MDOT's values and mission for 38 years;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Transportation Commission, on behalf of the people of Michigan, does hereby acknowledge the many valuable contributions made by Mr. Mark A. Van Port Fleet to promote quality government in our state, particularly in the field of transportation, and wish him all the best in the years ahead.



Adopted by the Michigan State Transportation Commission on October 18, 2018

Todd A. Wyett Chairman

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